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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CGEN, CASC, PFOR, GE, US

SUBJECT: GDR HUMANITARIAN CASE CARRERA

REF: BERLIN 5060

1. WE WOULD PREFER SOMEWHAT MODIFIED LANGUAGE IN SUGGESTED CONTINGENCY STATEMENT FOR USE IF CARRERA OR SIMILAR STORY APPEARS IN PRESS TO AVOID ANY MENTION OF "NEGOTIATIONS", WHICH MIGHT LEAVE MISLEADING IMPRESSION, WHILE AT SAME TIME EMPHASIZING CLEARLY THAT USG IS ACTIVELY PURSUING THIS ISSUE WITH GDR.

2. WE WOULD PROPOSE REVISED VERSIONS ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:
QUOTE. THE US RAISED THE MATTER OF HUMANITARIAN CASES WITH THE GDR LAST SUMMER AND HAS ACTIVELY PURSUED THE SUBJECT WITH GDR REPRESENTATIVES ON A NUMBER OF SUBSEQUENT OCCASIONS.

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WE KNOW HOW IMPORTANT THESE CASES ARE TO INDIVIDUALS

CONCERNED. MANY OF THEM HAVE WAITED FOR YEARS TO BE UNITED WITH THEIR FAMILIES OR FIANCES AND LIVE IN A PLACE OF THEIR OWN CHOOSING, AND WE SYMPATHIZE WITH THEIR DISAPPOINTMENT AND FRUSTRATION. WE INTEND TO CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR EARLY RESOLUTION OF ALL OF THESE CASES AND ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME.

3. WE CONCUR IN REMAINDER OF PROPOSED STATEMENT.
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